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SME Names Top Young Leaders In Manufacturing Engineering

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The tradition of excellence among manufacturing engineers is evident in the awards given by the SME to the field's young talent. The SME Outstanding Young Manufacturing Engineer Award is presented annually to honor manufacturing engineers, age 35 or younger, for their contributions and accomplishments in the manufacturing industry throughout the early stages of their careers.

This year's recipients of the 2007 Society of Manufacturing Engineers Kuo K. Wang Outstanding Young Manufacturing Engineer Award, named in honor of Dr. Kuo K. Wang for his lifelong contributions to manufacturing and long-time support of SME, are listed below:

Leandro G. Barajas, PhD
Senior Research Engineer
General Motors Corporation
Warren, Mich.

Brigid Mullany, PhD
Assistant Professor
University of North Carolina-Charlotte
Charlotte, N.C.

Samuel Bigot, PhD
Researcher
Cardiff University
Cardiff, United Kingdom

Bala Muralikrishnan, PhD
Research Engineer
National Institute of Standards and
Technology
Gaithersburg, Md.

Jaime A. Camelio, PhD
Assistant Professor
Michigan Technological University
Houghton, Mich.

Jonathan H. Owen, PhD
Staff Research Engineer
General Motors Corporation
Warren, Mich.

Gary J. Cheng, PhD
Assistant Professor
University of Houston
Houston, Texas

O. Burak Ozdoganlar, PhD
Assistant Professor
Carnegie Mellon University
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Kaan Erkorkmaz, PhD
Assistant Professor
University of Waterloo
Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

Frank E. Pfefferkorn, PhD
Assistant Professor
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Madison, Wis.

Boonserm Kulvatunyou, PhD
Researcher
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Steven J. Skerlos, PhD
Associate Professor
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, Mich.

Todd J. Szallay
Manufacturing Engineer 3
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El Segundo, Calif.

